THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI GHINTA MOHAN) : (a) The tentative liability of Rs, 87.61 lakhs in respect of Oxytetra-cycline and its formulations and Rs. 98.00 lakhs in the case of Multivitamin formulations, were communicated to M/s Pfizer vide letters dated 4.6.90 and 11.2.91 respectively. The company however requested for personal hearing to explain its case in detail. The hearings were granted, the Speaking Orders were passed vide letters dated 12.12.91 in both, the cases, in which the plea of the company were rejected an<j it_s liability was maintained at Rs. 87.61 lakhs and Rs. 98.00 lakhs respectively. The company made yet another representation which was finally rejected with the approval of the competent authority. The company has, however filed Writ Petitions in the Bombay High Court, in April, 1992, in both the cases and therefore, the matters are sub-judice at present. In yet another case, relating to Protinex, for which some data become available Iron? M/s. Pfizer after a number of reminders, the tentative liability of the company has been computed as Rs. 8.83 lakhs and already communicated to it vide letter dated 22-2-1992. Some more data is still avaited in this regard.

(b) to (d) No, Sir. There is absolutely no basis for such a charge against the officers concerned.

Report on import of Tolnafate and Cefotaxim

1947. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:

CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 303 given in Rajyja Sabha on 12.12.91 and state:

(a) whether Government have promised to call for the report on import of Tolnafate and Cefotaxim where prima facie foreign exchange is being remitted through warinvoicing;

(b) whether nothing has been done in the matter so far;

(c) what are the reasons for this in action and what are the prices of Tolna-fate, Dipyridamol', Chlopromazine, Tri-fluoperazine and Carbamezepine on which the formulation prices are based at present;

(d) what steps Government have taken to examine the entire matter; and

(e) what is the present position or reducing prices?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (e) This question relates to subject matter raised in Rajya Sabha Starred Question No. 303 answered ot 12th December, 1991 on which Assurance was given that a report from Directorate of Revenue Intelligence would be called in regard to specific complaints This report has since been received and the said Assurance is now in the proces? of being fulfilled.

Recommending duty concessions on bull drugs

1948. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA
CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be plea sed to refer to the answer to Unstarre< Question 2080 given in Rajya Sabha on 12th December, 1991 and state:

(a) what are the major reasons which weighed with his Ministry in recommend ing duty concession on bulk drugs/ir termediates and formulations;

(b) what are the intermediates an formulations where even after conce: sions in duty for over a decade dowr phasing has not been done and basic pre duction has not been stablished;

(c) whether concessions once grante are not reviewed unless there is a comi laint;

(d) what are the names of drugs an formulations, where prices have not r duced after the duty concessions for